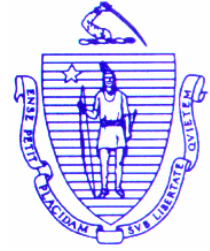




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Ladies and Gentlemen:

In accordance with Chapter 130, section 74A of the Massachusetts General Laws, the Division of Marine Fisheries has determined that those portions of the Town of Chatham that were closed due to very heavy rains on June 7, 2006, now meet the National Shellfish Sanitation Program guidelines for an "OPEN" status.

Under authority of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 130, Section 74A, 75 and 322 CMR 7.01 (7) the below-defined areas will revert to their former status prior to the rainfall closure of June 7, 2006; effective immediately. Those areas classified as APPROVED and in the "OPEN" status to shellfish harvesting are now open to the harvest of shellfish for direct human consumption subject to local rules and regulations under authority of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 130, section 52. Similarly, those areas classified as CONDITIONALLY APPROVED are open subject to the classification conditions.

STATUS: OPEN TO THE TAKING OF SHELLFISH

"The waters, flats and all tributaries of the Town of Chatham including shellfish growing areas SC: 48-51."

Sincerely,

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